Responses to RFI's

1. Are we able to reuse the existing Light Post or is the VA requiring that a new light post be included in our proposal?

The existing light post is to REMAIN/REUSE. Only one (1) new light post is to be provided and installed by contractor at new location. See plan set for type and location, 570-12-212_LotC_Sheet 06: Light Post Details for more information.

2. The updated SOW from amendment 0001 refers to asphalt slurry coat. Are we to assume a seal coat on the entire new paved area, or only the existing AC areas within the project boundaries? See 570-12-212_LotC_Sheet 03: Legend, Note B.

Apply slurry seal coat to AC from an East-West line at the Southern most point of pavement stripping removal to the North parking lot boundary. Apply <u>ONLY</u> to areas where the original AC remains (Not New AC).

3. There is not a sectional detail showing the depth of aggregate base required under the AC paving. Are we to assume a depth of 6" for base?
Yes, See 570-12-212_LotC_Sheet 04. (Notes)

4. "Paraphrased"- Light Pole has the potential to be a long lead time item; can the pole be excluded from the 42 day time period?

No, if a long lead time is proven, a contractual modification can be made.

5. Would the VA provide the new light pole as Government Furnished Equipment?

No, the VA does NOT want to provide any GFE.

6. My company is listed in the CCR and ORCA as a SDVOSB but not in VIP. Will this preclude us from bidding?

Yes, Per IAW VA Acquisition Circular No. 2008-01, dated December 8, 2009; in order for a SDVOSB to receive a contract award under the VA's Veteran-owned Small Business prime contracting opportunities, they must be listed as verified on the Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database at http://www.vetbiz.gov at the time the proposal is submitted.

7. Will all bids be announced publicly at the bid opening next week or will bids only be made available to companies that submitted bids?

The information will be read aloud to the attendees at the bid opening: offeror name, bids either appears or do not appear complete, and the bid amount. Once the apparent awardee has been determined responsible, the award notice will be posted on FedBizOps.

8. Is VA to provide all testing applicable to contract documents?

No, refer to spec section 01-45-29; 1.1 this section specifies materials testing activities and inspection services required during project construction to be provided by a testing laboratory retained by contractor.